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**Remarks/Arguments**

Claims 15 and 18 to 20, rejected by the Examiner, have been cancelled.

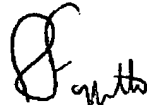
Previously withdrawn claims 12 to 14, 16, and 17 have also been cancelled.

The Examiner called for the addition of "first" in describing "said decoded signal" at line 16 of claim 7 and this word has been added.

The Examiner also called for the addition of "first" in describing "a signal handling device" at line 18 of claim 7. However, line 11 of claim 7 already defines "a first signal handling device" and the signal handling device introduced at line 18 is a different device. Therefore, Applicant traverses this requirement of the Examiner.

The remaining claims have been found allowable by the Examiner and so early allowance of this application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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